TO: All GOP Schedulers CC: All GOP LD's

Congress' first week back from the Democrat summer recess is nearly complete, and still no energy bill has been produced. With an expected party-line vote on the Previous Question later today, which if defeated, would allow the House to consider the American Energy Act, Democrats continue to block Republican efforts for a vote on American energy.

**Today, Republican Leadership calls on House Republicans to renew their energy "call-to-arms."** A Leadership memo to Members will be going out later in the day, emphasizing the importance of Republican debate. But unlike August, we now have the luxury of microphones, a television audience, and a fully-lit House Chamber. Therefore, starting today, House Republicans are encouraged to sign-up for 1 hour blocks on the House floor.

Today is a shortened session with only 1 bill scheduled for consideration, but there are still plenty of opportunities to speak. The House will reconvene at approximately 1:00 p.m., debate a rule for 1 hour, votes, take up 1 hour of general debate, 30 minutes of amendment debate, votes, 10 minutes of debate on a motion to recommit, votes, and of course unlimited one minutes and 5 minutes.

Therefore, please sign your boss up for 1 hour of floor debate today. Jared Eichhorn (cc'ed) in the Republican Cloakroom will be coordinating the Member sign-up schedule. Please ask your schedulers to call him (5-7350) to sign your boss up for one of the following available time blocks. Thank you.

## Republican Energy Floor Debate Blocks

- 12:00-1:00 p.m.
- 1:00-2:00 p.m.
- 2:00-3:00 p.m.
- 3:00-4:00 p.m.
- 4:00-5:00 p.m.
- 5:00-6:00 p.m.
- 6:00-7:00 p.m.

**NOTE:** We realize Members may not be able to commit to an entire hour, but if they can make part of the hour, it is still worthwhile to engage in the "call-to-arms." In addition, both the Rules Committee and the Resources Committee have been advised of strong Member participation and are prepared to accommodate extra speakers. This opportunity will be available tomorrow, as well.